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Ms. Carol Hanlon  
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Dear Ms. Hanlon:

I am writing to ask that the Department of Energy recommend to President George Bush that the site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada be designated the national repository for high-level radioactive waste and spent fuel.

Many years of effort as well as MILLIONS of dollars have been spent on siting a national disposal facility and the Department has identified a suitable location. Storing high-level radioactive waste at one location is a much better/safer option than continuing to accumulate dangerous spent nuclear fuel at more than 70 individual sites throughout the nation. In light of today's increase in terrorism activities, it is much more important to act quickly to remove this highly dangerous material from the individual sites.

The National Academy of Sciences recently affirmed that the geologic disposal is the only scientifically and technically credible solution to the high-level radioactive waste storage issue. The scientific evidence concludes that Yucca Mountain meets or exceeds the criteria for this type of facility.

For these reasons, It is now time for the Department to recommend the Yucca Mountain site to the President.

Sincerely,  
Thomas Koppen  
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